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Raised Bill No. 191 An Act Concerning Installers of Residential Stair Lifts.

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**Senator Leone, Representative Baram, Ranking Members & Members of the
General Law Committee:**

My name is Paul Farnsworth, of North Branford, Connecticut.

I am submitting this testimony in strong opposition to Raised Bill No. 191.

I have been licensed in Connecticut for more than thirty years as an R1 – Unlimited Elevator Contractor. I am a Past Chairman and a current Board Member of the Elevator Installation, Repair and Maintenance Work Examining Board for the State of Connecticut.

As a member of the “Elevator Board” I have strongly supported the efforts of the State of Connecticut, to promote the protection of the health, safety and welfare of the general public through the current licensing laws and regulations.

Elevator work is highly regulated by the State of Connecticut in the on-going effort to enhance public health and safety. This regulation effort includes rigorous code enforcement and licensing of those Accessibility Contractors and Accessibility Journeypersons who install, maintain and repair Residential Stair Lifts (aka: Stairway Chairlifts).

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